

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of :  
Kevin Joseph Martin : Conf. No. 1781  
Serial No.: 10/583,485 : Group Art Unit: 3657  
Filed: June 15, 2006 : Examiner: Irvin, Thomas W.  
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For: TRANSMISSION MECHANISMS  
AND COMPONENTS THEREFOR

**AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

MAIL STOP RCE  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Dear Sir:

The following Amendment is presented in response to the final Office Action dated November 9, 2011, and in connection with a timely filed Request for Continued Examination (RCE).

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of the Claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin thereafter on page 5.